

Your poore petitioner being at the Coole Spring and not knowing of your Worshippes meeting the [261] Last Court your Petitioner understands that your Worshippes have Laid the County Leavy and that your Worshippes have not Allowed your Petitioner the yearly pention hee used to be Allowed without which he is not Able to Subsist your Worshippes is not unsensible of his Condition therefore your poore Petitioner begs the favour that your Worshippes will be Soe Charritable as to take his Condition into your Serious Consideration as being an Object of Charrity and allow him his pention and for Soe doeing your Petitioner Shall Ever pray. Ordered that the above petitioner have two thowsand pounds of tobaccoe Allowed in the next yeare Leavie.

The Court Adjourned untill to morrow morning 8 a Clock.

Present. Mr. Thomas Hollyday, Mr. Robert Tylor, Mr. John Hawkins, Mr. Robert Wade, Mr. Samuell Magruder, Mr. Thomas Sprigg, Commissoners.

Ordered that Ninian Beall be Subpeaned to the next Court to testife for Andrew Winkling against Col. Henry Jowles.

Command was given to the Sheriffe that hee Cause to Come here the grand Inquest by him Sumoned Which Said grand Inquest being by their names Called Came (to Witt)

Robert Clarke, foreman, Daniell Daniellson, Thomas Lucas, William Offett, Edward Dawson, John Boyd, Paul Busey, Francis Prisley, Thomas Keniston, William Greenup, Charles Hay, John Hallum, Archable Edmonson, John Sprigg, William Ray, William Lee, Joseph Greere, Nathan Veech, John Browne, John Ramsey, John Henry, Francis Piles, George Miller, William Canter.

Who haveing all of them taken the Oath of Grand Jury men whent out to Consider of what Should Come before them and after Some Small time Returned and brought in as Followeth.

Wee the Jurors for the body of Prince Georges County haveing had it in Charge from this Worshipful Court to Inquier and make Report to this Court What Measures would most Conduce to his Majesties Honor and Servis and the Intrest and Safety of this province to be now taken in Relation to the Forces. Do humbly Rrepresent and desier that it may be humbly Recommended to his Excellency the Governor that wee doe Conceive it to be for his Majesty the Kings honor the Intrest and Safety of this County and the Whole province that the Garryson att the falls of Potomock be maintained and Supported as at present the Same is enforced and that the Same number of Raingers be kept out and maintained both at the Garryson and fort and allsoe at the frontier plantations as now are quartered or forted there Wee alsoe are of Opinion it may be Convenient and Necessary that the fort or Garryson be placed upon the hill now above the fort humbly Conceiveing it much for his Majesty Honor to Advance Reather than Loose ground at New Scotland And the Defence and Security of this province and the good people thereof upon the frontier plantations against any Invations of Indians.

On the back of the aforesaid writeing was Endorsed.

[262] Memorandum: It is agreed by this Jury that the Garryson Still Remaine but if it is his Excellencys pleasure to Remove it upon the hill or farther up (Not Looseing a foot) of Ground to Encourage the Enemy then it will be a great Sattisfaction to those parts Wittness our hands this 24th day of November 1697.